(d) what further steps Government propose to take to boost their export ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) Mainly school and college level text-books, books on Science & Technology, Indian Culture, History, Religion and Children books are being exported from India.

(b) value of books exported during the last three years and the names of the importing countries are given in the enclosed statement (*See* below). There is increasing trend in the export of books.

(c) and (d) Under the Export-Import Policy, 1992—97, export of books and publications are allowed freely. Marketing Development Assistance (MDA) is granted to the Chemicals and Allied Products Exports Promotion Council, Calcutta annually which helps to boost the export of books and publications. No special dispensation is granted to any industry in this regard.

Statement

Value of books exported during the last three years and names of the importing countries

Sl. No.	Major importing countries	India's exports (in million Rs.)		
		1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
1	2	3	4	5
1	Bangladesh	34.3	40.7	35.4
2	Bahrain	8.8	11.0	12.4
3	Canada	4.8	5.0	4.0
4	France	1.9	5.5	9.6
5	Germany	22.1	29.2	41.4
6	Iran	2.0	5.8	0.7
7	Japan	8.5	10.5	11.8
8	Kenya	4.3	9.0	10.0
9	Malaysia	6.4	7.2	8.8
10	Nepal	13.2	15.5	19.1
11	Netherlands	6.8	13.4	10.3
12	Oman	11.6	13.2	15.9
13	Pakistan	5.8	12.1	11.8
14	Qatar	4.5	7.5	7.1
15	Saudi Arabia	13.1	18.8	20.4
16	Singapore	8.5	5.2	7.6
17	Srilanka	7.0	14.0	31.3
18	Nigeria	3.0	0.5	1.8
19	UAE	26.2	28.2	31.3
20	UK	51.4	71.9	95.4
21	USA	43.0	53.7	59.9
22	*Others*	31.9	42.1	44.1
	TOTAL	330.0	420.0	500.0

(*Source* : CAPEXIL, Calcutta

Total Quantity of F.C.V. Tobacco

1277. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total quantity of Flue Cured Virginia (FCV) Tobacco that has arrived on auction paltforms in Karnataka during the year 1993 ;

(b) how much of it has been lifted by traders ;

(c) what are the corresponding figures for 1991 and 1992 ; and

(d) what are the platform-wise and grade-wise details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) to (c) The total quantities of FCV tobacco received and sold during 1991, 1992 and 1993 Karnataka auctions by the end of 8th week are given below :

Year	Quantity received (Kg.)	Quantity sold (Kg.)
1991	89,69,803	84,72,326
1992	83,18,448	69,48,717
1993	1,36,43,432	1,19,63,394

Quantities unsold in one week are marked in subsequent weeks.

(d) The platform-wise and grade-wise details by the end of 8th week are given below :

Name of the Platform	Bright	Medium	Low
	Quantity (Kg.)	Quantity (Kg.)	Quantity (Kg.)
	1993		
1. H.D. Kote	80,617	3,97,689	4,40,682
2. Hunsur	2,08,580	9,06,908	9,04,740
3. Periapatna-I	3,28,005	11,95,711	5,44,306
4. Periapatna-II	2,39,889	11,48,813	7,06,437
5. Periapatna III	3,08,712	7,92,223	5,25,996
6. Ramnathapura	2,43,828	10,29,522	7,72,193
7. Shimoga	2,04,320	4,83,956	5,00,258
TOTAL	16,13,960	59,54,822	43,94,612
	1992		
1. H.D. Kote	2,22,795	4,32,846	1,78,127
2. Hunsur	4,43,100	9,31,987	4,45,209
3. Periapatna-I	5,32,618	6,39,291	2,87,358
4. Periapatna-II	5,11,496	6,03,506	3,30,483
5. Ramnathapura	2,50,641	6,25,069	2,87,794
6. Shimoga	61,055	87,505	77,807
TOTAL	20,21,705	33,20,204	16,06,778
	1991		
1. H.D. Kote	2,70,040	3,24,205	3,05,581
2. Hunsur	4,46,000	7,99,686	9,56,726
3. Periapatna-I	8,52,602	6,54,431	5,29,174
4. Periapatna-II	6,14,904	6,42,296	5,65,028
5. Ramnathapura	3,01,669	5,34,045	5,34,714
6. Shimoga	41,137	49,269	50,827
TOTAL	25,26,352	30,03,932	29,42,042